

# PG&E Comments: Program Openings & Modifications

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# PG&E Summary of Recent Program Openings

## January 20, 2015 PG&E Program Opening

- Status quo; smooth opening, no problems.
- Plenty of funding; approx \$36M in Lev 2 w/ carryover.
- AES demand starting to emerge; signs were there.
- Level 2 funds remained available for several days.
- Level 3 funds remained available all of 2015.
- Heavy attrition throughout the year.

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## December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 PG&E Program Opening

- 2015 attrition/cancellations allowed re-offering of funds.
- Planned & consulted w/ PAs and CPUC per the norm.
- \$10M available in Level 2. Level 3 still open.
- Received +160 apps, mostly AES. Could fund only ~20.
- Unprecedented rapid-fire and duplicate applications.
- PG&E requested to pilot a lottery in 2016; not approved.

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## February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 PG&E Program Opening

- Application portal was planned and designed with Energy Solutions and PAs through 2015.
- Portal was built with enhanced features, tools, protections.
- No emails, better quality applications, no duplicates.
- User actions are traceable. Full transparency.
- Immense demand slowed but did not break the portal.
- Still internet-based with inherent vulnerabilities.

# PG&E Program Recommendations

## PG&E Still Advocates for Semi-Annual Lottery

Going Forward PG&E continues to advocate for:

1. semi-annual lottery, 2. lower incentives, 3. ReMat structure
4. higher app fee, 5. developer cap, 6. no waitlist or smaller waitlist.

The benefits of these measures include:

1. more equitable to applicants and manufacturers, 2. lower attrition, 3. produce price discovery, 4. provide better administration

*Lastly*, PG&E supports a timely CPUC decision on the Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> results with consequences to any rule violations.